

**RULE 63 (37 C.F.R. 1.63)**  
**DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled PROTECTIVE COVER the specification of which (check applicable box(es)):

- is attached hereto.  
 was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 was filed as PCT international application No. PCT/\_\_\_\_\_ / on \_\_\_\_\_ and (if applicable to U.S. or PCT application) was amended on \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56(a). I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed or, if no priority is claimed, before the filing date of this application:

Prior Foreign Application(s):	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
Application Number		

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application listed below:

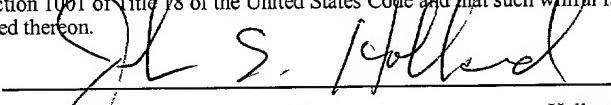
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120/365 of all prior United States and PCT international applications listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in such prior application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior applications and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Prior U.S./PCT Application(s):	Date/Month/Year Filed	Status: patented, pending, abandoned
Application Serial No.	09/860,423	05/18/01

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 101 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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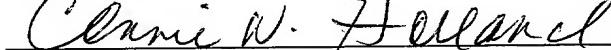
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For: PROTECTIVE COVER  
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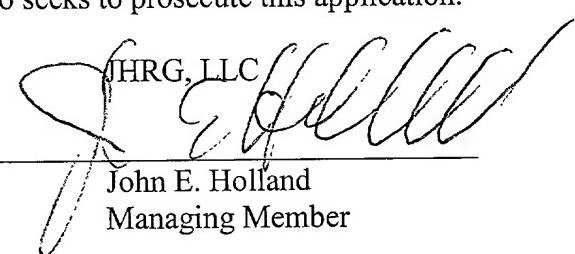
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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Sir:

The undersigned, assignee of the entire interest in and to an application of Holland et al. for U.S. Letters Patent for a **PROTECTIVE COVER**, by an assignment document being recorded contemporaneously herewith, hereby appoints the firm of Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC; C. ROBERT RHODES, Reg. No. 24,200; JACK B. HICKS, Reg. No. 34,180; JEFFREY R. MCFADDEN, Reg. No. 46,916; LEWIS S. ROWELL, Reg. No. 45,469; CRAIG H. POPALIS, Reg. No. 49,028; LOUIS T. ISAF, Reg. No. 29,078; JAMES F. VAUGHAN, Reg. No. 31,889; STEVEN D. KERR, Reg. No. 32,472; D. SCOTT SUDDERTH, Reg. No. 34,026; MICHAEL A. CICERO, Reg. No. 34,562; JOHN J. TIMAR, Reg. No. 32,497; STEVEN L. SCHMID, Reg. No. 39,358; DAVID J. HAYZER, Reg. No. 43,329; DAVID S. BRADIN, Reg. No. 37,783; JACQUELYN D. AUSTIN, Reg. No. 43,478; CARL B. MASSEY, JR., Reg. No. 44,224; BRIAN J. HAIRSTON, Reg. No. 46,750; THOMAS B. MCGURK, Reg. No. 44,920; KATHLEEN NEUNER MANNE, Reg. No. 40,101; and WILLIAM A. CAPP, Reg. No. 49,037; as its attorneys and/or agents with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent Office connected herewith. **Address all communications and telephone calls to: Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC., 300 North Greene Street, 1900 First Union Tower, Greensboro, NC 27401, (336) 547-8090 - Lewis S. Rowell.**

Furthermore, in accordance with 37 CFR §3.73(b), the undersigned hereby states that the documentary evidence of a chain of title from the original owner to the assignee, i.e. assignment document referenced above, has been reviewed and the undersigned certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, title is in assignee who seeks to prosecute this application.



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